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In re application of: W. Thomas Novak

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Application No.: 10/764,377

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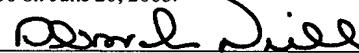
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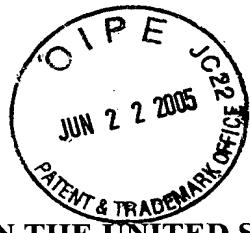
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

- Applicants believe that no Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicants hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. NIKOP037).
- Please charge any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. NIKOP037).

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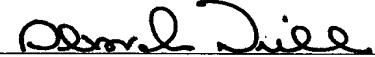
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AMENDMENT "A"

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In response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2005 in the above-referenced application, applicant amends the application as follows: